

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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~~The~~ A projection type image display device includes a plurality of image display elements that perform modulation of light rays in accordance with an image signal, a color synthesizing optical element for synthesizing light rays having mutually different wavelength ranges that have been modulated by these image display elements by use of ~~at least~~ a dichroic membrane, lens groups having a positive refractive power as a whole that are disposed between the image display element and the color synthesizing optical element, and a projection optical system for projecting an image synthesized by the color synthesizing optical element. The projection type image display device further includes a storage circuit for storing data used to correct the brightness irregularity of a projected image, and a brightness irregularity correcting circuit for correcting brightness irregularity of a projected image on the basis of the data stored in the storage circuit.